**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)****Title of Invention: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR MULTIPLEX ANALYSIS OF POLYNUCLEOTIDES**

As the below named inventors, we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

☐ The attached application, or☒ Application No. 10/782,646, filed on 2/18/2004,☐ As amended on _____ (if applicable);

We believe that we are the original and first inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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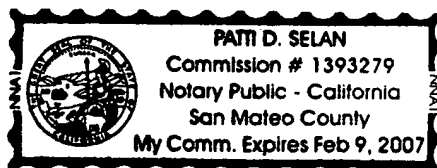
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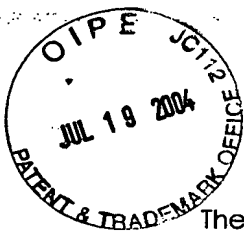
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